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MAKING LIFE A SUCCESS

Practically every person in Appomattox County, whether man or woman, boy or girl, regardless of age, and circumstances, hopes and intends to make life a success.

Stated in general terms, this ambition is common to all of us. It is only when we attempt to define the meaning of "success" that differences of opinion develop. Consequently, it might be a good idea for the individual to stop long enough to ponder the question and answer it.

The individual, in his or her zeal to be successful, often accepts a popular definition of the term, and thereby loses sight of the real goal. Such a success is not to be measured by the wealth accumulated, the worldly honors received, or the fickle acclamation of so-called public opinion.

So, today, when there are so many ideas about success, we suggest that individual reader analyze his or her conception. It should be obvious, we think, that one can be successful only when life is in harmony with our inner convictions. Yet, if our principles be wrong, life must be imperfect.

To those who read this article, and, particularly to the young people, we suggest the effort to outline definite principles which are considered acceptable guides. As a start, one might try to discover a definite principle upon which one can base daily activity and to which one is willing to be loyal under all circumstances. This might sound easy, but test it for yourself.

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SYMINGTON AND DULLES

Senator Stuart Symington, Missouri Democrat, has suggested that President Eisenhower name a new Secretary of State. Symington, while not criticizing anything Dulles has done, contends that the United States needs a healthy and active Secretary of State at this time as never before.

Symington's suggestion was certain to stir up controversy, and has. Other Senators on Capitol Hill, and friends of the Secretary, have rallied to his defense and there is little reason to believe that President Eisenhower will follow Symington's advice.

On the contrary, President Eisenhower is usually quite reluctant to make decisions of this kind, and he has gone on record, on more than one occasion, as being willing to wait until Secretary Dulles decides, himself, to resume his leadership or step down.

On one score, however, Senator Symington is correct. The United States does need an active Secretary of State at this time. Whether he can do anything about it or not, or whether the President should, is another question.

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THE LATEST ON BERLIN

The latest offer concerning Berlin came from a U. S. Senator—Senator Mike Mansfield, Montana Democrat. Put simply, Mansfield proposes that East Germany and West Germany settle their differences over Berlin and unify the city themselves. Moreover, he proposes that the United Nations take over the functions of allied troops now stationed in Berlin.

Meanwhile, as Mansfield was making his proposal, sources in East Germany indicated that the Soviet Union might be willing to cooperate in some settlement over Berlin, and control of the allies' access to that city. In recent weeks, before the tragic news that Secretary of State Dulles had not completely rid himself of cancer had been announced, the State Department attitude on the Berlin crisis seemed to show increased flexibility.

Mr. Dulles' primary concern has always been that the allies would be pushed out of Berlin, and the access to that city which the Soviet Union guaranteed would be denied. While the official Administration position on Berlin contains some flexibility, the State Department will probably never agree to United Nations control of Berlin until there are reliable and enforceable guarantees that access to that city will be maintained.

Thus far a policy of firmness has contained the Soviet. And also such a policy seems to have worked in regards to Matsu and the Quemoy Islands.

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Good luck rarely comes unexpected; usually, it is over-expected.

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Using discrimination in the reading of news makes for an informed person.

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Hard work may not kill anybody, but, occasionally, it sure wears one down.

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Washington Notes

More Atom Plants?

Democrats on the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy are considering adding at least three large nuclear power plants to the atomic power program proposed by the Administration.

In addition, a group of committee Democrats is proposing to restore several projects eliminated by the Atomic Energy Commission in drafting its new long-range nuclear power program.

Budget Balance Stressed

Congressional Democratic leaders apparently are planning to help President Eisenhower try to balance the budget despite their contention he is playing 1960 politics in this field.

Senate Democratic Leader Johnson (Texas) has urged colleagues on the Senate Appropriations Committee to prune deeply into the regular military bills.

Johnson also has asked for early hearings on Eisenhower's request for a $1,375,000,000 contribution to the International Monetary Fund and an increase of $3,175,000,000 in obligational authority for capital in the World Bank.

465 Million Bill Passed

The Senate has passed a $465,000,000 airport construction bill despite protests from some Republicans that it would punch a hole in President Eisenhower's budget and invite a veto.

The President, who vetoed a similar bill last year after Congress had adjourned, had recommended only $200,000,000 over the next four years for airport construction.

Bills and Expenses

An Illinois legislator has estimated that if only eight of the 1,983 bills introduced on the opening day of Congress became law, Government expenditures would be more than doubled next year.

Representative Harold R. Collier (R.-Ill.) said the eight bills he had in mind—ranging from legislation on education to public works and farming to old age pensions—would cost more than $117,000,000,000.

Add on defense needs and current Federal commitments, Collier said, and the country would be spending $160,000,000,000 —more than twice the size of the $77,000,000,000 budget recommended by President Eisenhower.

Ike: Won't Shoot First

President Eisenhower has said emphatically that if there is any shooting over West Berlin it will be started by the Soviet Union—and not by the Western Allies.

The President said the allies have no intention of taking the first step in a shooting war.

He was commenting on an assertion by Soviet Premier Khrushchev that any attempt by the Western Allies to shoot their way to West Berlin would mean war. Eisenhower said Khrushchev must have been talking about shooting by Communist forces to stop the Western Allies from doing their duty.

Dulles' Job

President Eisenhower says he wants Secretary of State Dulles to remain on the job as long as Dulles believes he is able to carry on. The President says that he and Dulles agreed to go right ahead with plans for international conferences.

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QUESTIONS OF THE WEEK

Editor's note: Here are the questions asked most frequently by Virginia farmers during the past week, as reported by county agricultural agents. Staff members of the VPI Agricultural Extension Service and/or Experiment Station supply the answers.

Q. What effect will lower hog and poultry prices have on the cattle market by fall?

A. The cattle market generally this year should stay around the 1958 level, although fall prices are expected to be a little lower than spring prices .By late fall or early 1960, prices will probably slip further.

Q. Which is the most profitable — selling feeder pigs or feeding them out for market hogs?

A. Many factors in your individual farm operation, including the amount of feed you have available, must be weighed. The market also should play a part in your decision. This year, hog prices will probably drop through March, with a small seasonal advance in late spring. A seasonal peak of possibly $20 to $21 is expected in late May or early June. After this peak, prices will probably decline steadily until reaching a possible low point of $14 to $15 in November.

Q. How should I treat soil for nematodes in my home garden?

A .Apply a liquid soil fumigant to the soil two or three weeks before planting. Follow the directions of the manufacturer. Treat when soil temperature is between 50 and 60° F. and after it has been plowed or spaded and raked to a good seed bed tilth.

Q. Is this a good time of the year to put in layers?

A. Yes.

Q. How late can I spray for chickweed control without harming my alfalfa stand?

A .Spray before the alfalfa starts growing in the spring.

Q. Will it pay to inoculate red clover seed where it has been grown several years in rotation?

A. Yes, it will usually pay to provide a fresh inoculant.

Q. To improve the quality of my flue-cured tobacco this year, should my tobacco fertilizer contain nitrate - nitrogen? If so, how much?

A. Tobacco specialists generally agree that at least 1/3 of the nitrogen applied to tobacco should come from nitrate-nitrogen.

Q. How should I apply the heptachlor fertilizer mixture be control the alfalfa weevil?

A. It can be applied with fertilizer-line spreaders, or with hand-operated (or tractor-mounted, electric-type) cyclone - type seeders where only small acreages are involved.

Q. What variety of corn can I plant for silage and get it harvested in time to prepare the alfalfa west of the Blue Ridge?

A. A VPI hybrid, to meet your needs satisfactorily.

Red-Faced Hen

Los Angeles.- Easter is off, but Brigitte already has her part. She's laying.

It's not the easiest role. And there's very little in it. So little, in fact, she decided to stop. But she kept laying.

Faced with three weeks of be normal, Brigitte did the thing left for her to do—she kept laying.

Poultry expert Charles Bohon of the University of California blames the blame on the pesticides in the air on the fumes of the newly laid egg.

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...burg, March 2.- Mr. Wilbur ..., assistant pastor at Walk... Presbyterian Church at Hix... will preach next Sunday even... at 7:30.

...services there will soon end. ... been assigned to a large city ... in Alabama. They are forbe... to get this young theologian ... a splendid speaking voice and ... quick mind. He has one more year ... the Presbyterian Seminary in ...mond.

...ers. John and Joe Goin and ... Covington represented Walk... Presbyterian Church at Brook... last Sunday at a church-wide ...listic planning effort for this ... and summer.

... Willie D. Hix was admitted in ... North Carolina Baptist Hospi... Winston-Salem, N. C., last ...day afternoon.

... Wednesday A. M. he under... surgery. The next day he was ... to his sister's, Mrs. W. M. ... in Mount Ulla, N. C. He is ... reported, "He is doing ...

... Lucky Clover 4-H Club is ob... National 4-H Club Week ... a booth in Mr. Canada's store ...ow. There can be seen some ... the members have been mak...

...ral from this neighborhood ... the "Share the Fun" pro... the Appomattox Elementary ... Friday evening. Ame... of the Lucky Clover Club, ... a prize.

... Belle Marshall left on Sun...day afternoon for Petersburg, where she will supply as superintendent of the Petersburg Home for Ladies, while the Board is trying to get a permanent superintendent. The present one resigned on account of her health.

Mrs. H. M. Marshall attended the funeral of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Herbert Gilliam, in Statesville, N. C., on Monday. Mrs. Gilliam passed away on Sunday.

Mrs. Boyd Ford, who is visiting her daughter in Ocala, Florida, is to come to Statesville to be the guest of her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Billy Ford, on March 15.

Pfc. Fred Glover, of Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville, Ala., was at home for the week-end .He will be released on March 19.

Mrs. Marvin Glover, Jr., who is staying with Mrs. A. Marvin Glover, Sr., is improving, but is not well enough to return to her own home.

Betsy Williams and Helen Martin were week-end guests of Estelle Covington.

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Vera

Vera, March 2.- "Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and cometh down from the Father of light, with whom is no variableness, neither shadow of turning."—James 1-17.

Well, the winter months are gone. They were cold and brought bad weather. Now, since March has come we do hope for some nice spring weather.

Mr. and Mrs .T. C. Harvey and Harriette visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. H .Watson on Saturday night.

Mr .and Mrs. T. C. Harvey and Harriette visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Harvey in Richmond on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carter visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Sunday.

Vera, Feb. 26 (Too late for last week's issue).- "There is therefore no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the spirit." — Romans 8-1.

February had some real cold weather. Farmers are busy fixing for another crop.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mrs. Gladys Woodson, and we do hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs .Dick Webb and Bonnie and Mr. Walker Webb visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Monday night.

Mrs. Lester B. Harvey visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Harvey on Tuesday.

We are sorry to hear of the illness of Mr. Lawrence Hatcher, and wish him a speedy recovery.

Week-end visitors in the home of Mr .and Mrs. T. C. Harvey were Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carson and Sylvia, Mr .and Mrs. L .H. Watson, Mr. Phillip Scruggs and Miss Nancy Scruggs.

Lieut. Charles H. Harvey has accepted a position with a fertilizer company, and is now located in Danville.

The New Hope W. M. U. Society will hold a meeting for home missions and a week of prayer at New Hope Church March 2-6.

Pamplin Farmers To Discuss Artificial Breeding

R. Emory Brubaker, fieldman of the Virginia Artificial Breeding Association, will meet with the Pamplin Adult Farmers Class tonight. Topic for discussion at this meeting will be Determining whether to Use Artificial Insemination." Mr. Brubaker plans to show some slide pictures of the bulls kept at Rocky Mount by the Virginia Association. The group will meet in the Pamplin school at 7:30 o'clock tonight, March 5. All interested persons are invited to attend.

This will be the ninth meeting of this winter of the Pamplin Adult Farmers Class. The tenth and last meeting scheduled for this winter will be held Thursday, March 12, at 7:30 P. M. Topic for that meeting will be "Woodland Management," with Mr. Don Morton, of the Virginia Forest Service scheduled as discussion leader.

The Pamplin Adult Farmers Class is jointly sponsored by the Pamplin Ruritan Club and the Appomattox Department of Vocational Agriculture, Appomattox High School. Supervising instructor is W .Lewis Motley. Also sponsored by the same two groups is the Pamplin Farm Mechanics Class, which is currently being held each Monday night .This class meets in the Pamplin School Shop located in the basement of the Pamplin school at the rear. It is supervised by J. Everett Tibbs and W .Lewis Motley. All farmers in the area are invited to join the class.

This Week's Definition

A pedestrian is a fellow whose wife beats him to the garage.

—Antenna, Great Lakes, Ill.

IN ASH DAY now

It is interesting to note that the chic feminine population of New York does not seem to be going for the dark stocking trend any more than they favored the colored stockings of the past fall and winter.

On a recent trip we lunched at several very smart restaurants and one of the most dignified private clubs and saw, in general a good cross section of the better dressed women of the city. Not one pair of dark legs did we see.

Another interesting fact was that there were very few knee - length skirts. Most women seem to prefer at least an inch below the knee and more often 2 inches.

Many aspects of last year's style will remain, such as the shorter skirt, the slightly gentler fit. The extreme has been tossed into the scrap heap, so you had better see what you can do to alter your sack and empire dresses.

There is a new interest in belts —the wider the better! This may offer a way out for the woman who spent her all on the chemise. Add a wide belt and the effect may please you.

The last season or two should be a good lesson to all of us who can't afford to wear a dress a few times and pass it on but must wear our clothes several years.

Madrid's red tape marks wool trade with U. S.

TREE - PLANTING BOOM CREDITED TO 4-H-ERS

There's a tree-planting boom underway in Virginia, and much of the credit goes to 4-H club members, report foresters at VPI Agricultural Extension Service.

During the 1957-58 planting season, 4-H'ers planted 605,750 forest tree seedlings, an all time high. The seedlings were planted by 1,094 club members taking forestry projects. They planted 1.5% of all trees planted. Of the number planted by 4-H-ers, 300,250 were donated by the Virginia Division of Forestry and 290,500 by forest industries.

The current planting season promises to be even bigger for 4 - H members. Already orders have been placed for 414,200 seedlings. This does not include trees obtained from the paper mills and other woodusing industries.

The top six counties according to present orders are: Orange, 127,000 seedlings; Cumberland, 26,100 seedlings; Bath, 20,000; Hanover, 16,500; Floyd, 14,700; and Tazewell, 14,500.

'Sfact!

Don't find fault — Find a remedy. Anybody can complain. —Pathfinder, Fort Wayne, Ind.

So far, 47 counties have ordered seedlings, and more are expected to place orders. Four-H'ers interested in planting trees are urged to see their county agents immediately.

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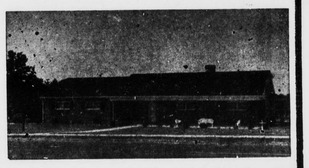

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